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Charles A. Dill, President AVX Corporation 60 Cutter Mill Road Great Neck, NY 11021

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Dear Mr. Dill:

I am writing as a follow-up to our meeting of December 14, 1988 and in response to Richard Hughto's letter of December 16, 1988.

In response to our concerns regarding the acceptability of capping the hot spot areas you indicated that you intend to further investigate biodegradation as a means of reducing PCB toxicity. At this time, EPA has eliminated in-situ biodegradation from consideration as a remedial alternative. We do, however, agree to review your completed report.

At our meeting, you agreed to concurrently evaluate with us removal, treatment and disposal alternatives for the hot spot area. As a first step in this process I have set up a meeting through Rick Hughto between your consultants and ours to review our studies to date on hot spot alternatives. This meeting will be held on Monday, January 9, 1989 at 1:00 P.M. in the first floor conference room of 90 Canal Street. A copy of the briefing materials sent to Mr. Hughto for this meeting is enclosed.

Regarding our discussions concerning capping thickness, I am attempting to arrange a meeting between your consultants, the Corps of Engineers and our consultants. This meeting is tentatively scheduled for Wednesday, January 18, 1989 at 10:00 A.M. at Canal Street. Final arrangements will be coordinated through Mr. Hughto.

The former two meetings need only be attended by our respective technical consultants. Our overall group meeting will be held also on Wednesday, January 18 at Canal Street beginning at 1:30 P.M.

If you have any questions concerning this matter please contact me or Alan Fowler at 617-573-5710.

Sincerely yours,

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